



Jim Budzinski (BUD-ZIN-SKI)

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, WellStar Health System

Biography

Jim Budzinski joined WellStar in July 2008. Immediately prior to joining WellStar, he served as Chief Financial Officer for St. John's Health System, in Springfield, Missouri. Prior to that Budzinski served as the Chief Financial Officer of another leading integrated health system in Lansing, Michigan.

Jim began his professional career with the Detroit office of Arthur Andersen and Co., and ultimately became the firm's partner in charge of their health care practice in Michigan and Northern Ohio, with significant responsibilities for insurance clients as well. Jim is a former Certified Public Accountant, has a Bachelor of Science in accounting from Ferris State University, and a Master of Business Administration and Master of Health Administration, both from Georgia State University.

Jim was recognized as an "International Emerging Healthcare Leader" by the American Hospital Association in 1999 and is a "Bronze" and "Silver" Award recipient of the Healthcare Financial Management Association.

Jim has been a speaker at state and national healthcare conferences and was an adjunct professor at Missouri State University.